

Please add the following new claims:

--7. A wavelength conversion method of performing wavelength conversion by use of a nonlinear optical crystal according to claim 2.

8. A wavelength conversion method of performing wavelength conversion by use of a nonlinear optical crystal according to claim 3.

9. A wavelength conversion element having a construction made of a nonlinear optical crystal according to claim 2.

10. A wavelength conversion element having a construction made of a nonlinear optical crystal according to claim 3.

11. A wavelength conversion apparatus having a construction in which a wavelength conversion element according to claim 9 is incorporated.

12. A wavelength conversion apparatus having a construction in which a wavelength conversion element according to claim 10 is incorporated.--